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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

USDA-Forest Service - Grand Valley Ranger District
Mesa & Delta Counties, Colorado
**Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments
Environmental Assessment**

The Grand Valley Ranger District is interested in receiving your input on enclosed Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments environmental assessment (EA). The Preferred Alternative is the proposed action (Alternative 1) which would involve issuing contracts for up to 800 acres of sanitation and salvage treatments of beetle affected Engelmann spruce /subalpine fir and up to 240 acres of aspen treatments in areas with sudden aspen decline (SAD) per year.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted. Comments can be received at the following places:

Written / Oral* Comments to:

Connie Clementson, Grand Valley District Ranger
2777 Crossroads Blvd Unit 1
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(970) 242-8211
(970) 263-5819 FAX
Attention: Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments

Comments via e-mail:

To: comments-rocky-mountain-gmug-grande-valley@fs.fed.us
Subject: Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments

Public comment will be accepted for a 30-day period following publication of this legal notice in the Daily Sentinel. The purpose of this comment period is to provide an opportunity you to provide input prior to a decision being made by the District Ranger (Responsible Official). Those who provide timely comments during the comment period provided at 40 CFR 1503.1 are eligible to appeal the decision pursuant to 36 CFR part 215 regulations. If you need further assistance please contact Kevin Kyle at (970) 263-5829 or review the documents at <http://fs.usda.gov/goto/gmug/projects>.

Sincerely,

MIKE SURBER
Acting District Ranger

